

**BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

In the Matter of the Public Reprimand  
of the Educator Certificate of  
Jerry L. Kendall  
Certificate # 213453

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**CONSENT ORDER OF  
PUBLIC REPRIMAND**

**SUMMARY OF THE CASE**

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on July 21, 2004. On April 9, 2004, the State Department of Education (Department) sent a notice of hearing regarding the possible suspension or revocation of his certificate to Mr. Jerry L. Kendall by certified mail, return receipt requested delivery restricted to addressee. Mr. Kendall received the notice as evidenced by a signed postal receipt bearing his name. Mr. Kendall agreed to resolve the case without a hearing upon the following terms: (1) a public reprimand will be issued by the State Board, (2) he agrees that this public reprimand will be reported to all school districts in South Carolina with the grounds listed as "unprofessional conduct," and (3) this order will be maintained as a public record in the Office of General Counsel of the Department. After considering the evidence presented by the Department, the State Board voted to issue a public reprimand for Mr. Kendall's conduct as agreed to by the parties.

Mr. Kendall holds a valid South Carolina certificate and has over fourteen years of teaching experience mostly in the State of Tennessee. He was under contract with the Spartanburg County School District Seven (District) for the 2002-2003 school year. Mr. Kendall resigned from the District on December 17, 2003, after being found guilty by a Blacksburg County Magistrate of possession of marijuana and having no South Carolina driver's license. Mr. Kendall paid a fine.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

"The State Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-150 (1990), S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-160 (1990); 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58. The Board finds that the preponderance of the evidence presented supports its conclusion that just cause does

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not exist to revoke or suspend his certificate; however, cause does exist for a Public Reprimand of Mr. Kendall's conduct. Accordingly, the Board issues this Consent Order of Public Reprimand as set forth above.

South Carolina State Board of Education

/S/ Mary E. Jones  
Dr. Mary E. Jones  
Chair

Columbia, South Carolina  
July 21, 2004

**I, Jerry L. Kendall, SC Teaching Certificate # 213453, do hereby agree to this Order of Public Reprimand, consisting of two pages, and understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the State Board of Education on Wednesday, July 21, 2004.**

7/12/04  
Date

/S/ Jerry L. Kendall  
Signature